

Kylie McClain

Curriculum vitae

Undergraduate student of Philosophy
Appalachian State University
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Education

B.A. (prospective)

Philosophy and Religion, with minor in Gender, Women's and Sexuality Studies. (2024)

Capstone: "Beyond Plunderphonics: A prolegomena to any future revolutionary music."

(advised by Dr. Rick Elmore)

Appalachian State University (Boone, NC)

Conference presentations

- "Whatever's Left of Woman: Porn, Trans Identity, and Gender Expansivity." *23rd Annual Southern Appalachian Undergraduate Philosophy Conference*, University of North Carolina at Asheville, February 11, 2023.

Service, awards, and miscellaneous

Academic honors and awards

- First place prize, "Whatever's Left of Woman: Porn, Trans Identity, and Gender Expansivity." *23rd Annual Southern Appalachian Undergraduate Philosophy Conference*, University of North Carolina at Asheville, February 11, 2023.

Academic memberships

2021 — present: Co-president, Appalachian State Philosophical Society

Faculty advisor: Dr. Rick Elmore

Foreign language competencies

- Spanish (reading)

Professional experience

2018 — present: Student IT Technician, [Appalachian State Technology Support Services](#)

- Repairing computers: virus removal, data backup, hardware diagnostics, ticket management via Atlassian Jira.
- Customer service: explaining repair steps taken to customers upon them picking up their computers in an understandable way.

Non-academic service

Contributor, [Nixpkgs](#) (2022-present)

Developer, [Exherbo Linux](#) (2014-2017)

- Added support for new platforms such as [musl libc](#), and ARMv7.
- Wrote bootstrapping documentation for new processor architectures.
- Wrote documentation for complex code previously written by others.